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Alexandra Kamerling handles EU and UK merger filings, coordinating multi-jurisdictional merger filings across the globe, as well as advising on EU and UK market investigations, abuse of dominance, distribution and licensing agreements, behavioural advice, state aid, cartels (dawn raids) and immunity applications.

Alexandra acts for EU-listed companies and venture capitalists before the Competition and Markets Authority, the EU Commission and other national competition authorities across the globe.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- Dutch
- English
- French
- Italian
- Spanish

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

Prior Experience

From 1995 to 2004, Alexandra worked for a prominent international law firm in their competition practice based in their London office. She worked closely with colleagues and clients in Brussels, Amsterdam and Paris. She also gained experience in US anti-trust law during the course of a secondment to a highly regarded anti-trust practice in Washington DC.

- Regulatory and Government Affairs
- Private Equity
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Corporate
- Intellectual Property and Technology
- Antitrust and Competition
- Projects, Energy and Infrastructure
- Media, Sport, Gaming and Entertainment
- Technology Transactions and Strategic Sourcing
- Investigations

- Life Sciences
- Industrials
- Consumer Goods, Food and Retail
- Insurance
- Media, Sport and Entertainment
- Financial Services

Recognitions

- "A very common-sense approach, practical, and astute." *Acritas Stars Survey, 2018*
- "She's a very experienced regulatory lawyer, very practical in the advice that she gives, and really gets in on the business.", *Acritas Stars Survey, 2018*
- In *Chambers Europe 2017*, Alexandra is described by a client as "at the top of her game and commercial too"
- "She sort of gets to the point, so she just answers the questions basically.", *Acritas Stars Survey, 2015*
- In *Legal 500, 2011*, Alexandra is described as "first rate - she is technically excellent and applies the law in a pragmatic manner"

SPOKEN

Dutch English French
Italian Spanish

Education

- Cambridge, Clare College, Modern Languages and Law, MA Cantab
- Guildford College of Law

Memberships

- Law Society of England and Wales
- Brussels Bar
- ABA
- Law Society's Competition Group
- BIICL

INSIGHTS

Publications

Focus on the technology sector

25 January 2022

Understanding the UK National Security & Investment Regime Podcast

What is the impact of the regime on the technology sector? Sarah Smith is joined by competition partner, Alexandra Kamerling, and DLA Piper's tech sector specialist, Kit Burden, to analyse which activities are likely to be caught with a focus on AI and computer hardware.

National Security and Investment Act 2021:

1 November 2021

The National Security and Investment Act 2021 (the Act) is due to come into force on 4 January 2022. The Act gives the Secretary of State extensive powers to review transactions where it considers there is or may be a risk to national security.

Antitrust Matters – September 2021

7 September 2021

Antitrust Matters

We are pleased to share with you a New Edition of our periodical global publication Antitrust Matters.

Competition and sustainability: the need for further guidance on legitimate cooperation

7 September 2021

Antitrust Matters

Climate change is one of the most important priorities facing the international community. The increased focus on environmental concerns has incentivized companies to pursue sustainability initiatives. In many instances, cross-industry collaboration is important for such initiatives to succeed.

Caveat Emptor in UK merger control: Record fine highlights the non-filing risks for buyers

24 August 2021

The UK Competition and Markets Authority has imposed its largest ever fine for a single infringement relating to non compliance with an initial enforcement order. Serving as a reminder to buyers of the pitfalls of completing a transaction without first obtaining UK merger clearance.

The UK Government adopts the National Security and Investment Act on 29 April 2021

10 May 2021

With the adoption of the National Securities & Investment Act, the UK is embarking on a serious journey to toughen foreign investment rules in line with other major economies in a move prompted by concerns surrounding foreign investment in critical or sensitive sectors.

The European Commission proposes sweeping new controls on foreign subsidised companies

6 May 2021

On 5th May 2021, the European Commission published a draft new legislative proposal seeking to impose broad controls on companies which have received support from foreign (non-EU) governments.

European Commission Pushes Boundaries of EU Merger Control

19 April 2021

The European Commission pushes boundaries of EU Merger Control policy to accept and review certain transactions that do not meet any merger control thresholds. The policy shift will require parties engaged in M&A with a European footprint to modify their approach to deal documentation and structuring.

Antitrust in the digital age: rethinking the regulation of big tech

25 February 2021

TechLaw Podcast

In Episode 34 of our TechLaw Podcast Series, our partner, Alexandra Kamerling, talks about antitrust law in the digital age with Laura Petrone, Senior Analyst of Technology Thematic Research at GlobalData Plc. Their conversation delves into how traditional regulations are being evolved to allow for a fair playing field that also fosters innovation, as well as looking at how these regulations are being applied in numerous jurisdictions across the globe.

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Antitrust Matters - Special edition

17 December 2020

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EU digital reform: Brussels seeks to regulate Big Tech and other digital services

16 December 2020

Europe's legal framework for digital services has been unchanged since the adoption of the e-Commerce Directive¹ in 2000.

Subsequent advances in technology, and the accompanying evolution of digital services, have resulted in more and more calls for updated regulations from market participants, governments and regulators.

The UK's National Security & Investment Bill: Excessive protectionism, or necessary to align the UK with other major economies?

18 November 2020

Laid before Parliament on 11 November 2020, the National Security & Investment Bill (the "Bill") promises to usher in a sweeping reform of the way in which the UK Government can scrutinise foreign investment.

Commission launches inquiry into the Internet of Things

22 July 2020

On 16 July, the European Commission launched an antitrust competition inquiry into the Internet of Things for consumer-related products and services in the EU.

Alexandra has published a book on Restrictive Covenants under Common and Competition Law (Sweet & Maxwell). She has written various chapters published in the *PLC Manuals* on Joint Ventures and EU and UK Competition Law and the chapter on Competition law in *International Insurance Regulation* (Reactions Publications, September 2002).

Events

Previous

Extension of Foreign Direct Investment Control Regime: Update

9 June 2021

Webinar

Alexandra speaks regularly at conferences.

NEWS

DLA Piper advises UGI on joint venture with SHV Energy

2 March 2022

DLA Piper has advised UGI International, a subsidiary of UGI Corporation, on the creation of a joint venture with SHV Energy to advance the production and use of renewable dimethyl ether (rDME).

DLA Piper advises ATI Global on GBP170 million acquisition of Groundsure

21 January 2021

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised ATI Global on its GBP170 million acquisition of UK based location intelligence business Groundsure, a leading supplier of environmental searches, data, mapping and reports for the UK property market, from Ascential plc (Ascential) (LSE: ASCL).
